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In re Application of

Edward L. Tobinick Serial No.: 09/665,529

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: PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is in response to applicants' petition filed September 19, 2000, to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d).

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, VIII. Therefor the petition is **GRANTED**.

The following condition applies to the grant of this petition: If, upon examination, it is determined that a restriction requirement is necessary because of multiple inventions being claimed, applicant will be required to make an election without traverse of a single invention to be prosecuted. Failure to make an election without traverse will void the special status accorded in this decision. The provisional election of claims 30-49 and 98-99 is noted.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

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